

House	COMMUNICATION INFORMATION CENTER DAILY BRIEFING Wednesday, April 12, 2000 8:54 AM	Message of the Day	1 - number of congressmen who voted yesterday for the Clinton-Gore \$116 billion tax increase legislation.
Republican		Tax relief is about returning dollars and decisions back home to hard-working Americans and their families.	
Conference			

Events	TODAY – 4/12	Tomorrow – 4/13	Coming up ...	Yesterday's Events	Lead Stories
House GOP	* On floor: tax limitation, water pollution control, bay restoration; * Hastert news conference on prescription drugs; * Hastert, Armey to receive report from electronic commerce report; * Archer hearing on overhauling taxation system; * Saxton hearing on reform of IMF, World Bank; * Smith of N.J. to speak at Teamsters rally on China trade; * Coburn news conference on human life, heartbeat, brain waves.	* On floor: tax code replacement, radio broadcasting preservation, budget (tent.); * Bilirakis subcommittee on children's health research, prevention; * Callahan subcommittee on Treasury; * Everett subcommittee on veterans disabilities claims; * Porter subcommittee on education; * Pombo subcommittee on review of Hass Avocado promotion.	* 4/20 Goodling field hearing on academic achievement; * 4/27 Young of Alaska field hearing on dam breaching to aid salmon; * 4/28 Saxton field hearing on striped bass; * 5/1 Combest field hearings on review of federal farm policy (5/1,2,12,13); * 5/11 McCollum subcommittee on child molestation; * 5/19 Goodlatte, Bliley, Tauzin to host privacy summit (5/19-20).	* On floor: suspensions, taxpayer bill of rights passed (424-0); * Hastert attended enrollment ceremony for nuclear waste disposal; * Watts, Graham of N.C. on "Hardball" on campaign 2000; * Kolbe subcommittee on U.S. Mint; * Chenoweth-Hage subcommittee on Integration of Eco-region Assessments in Forest Service Plans; * Gilman hearing on Kosovo.	ABC World News (Tues.) 1. Govt. orders return of Cuban boy to his father, Reno to go to Miami 2. NTSB recommends adding video cameras to cockpits 3. Osprey crash doesn't diminish Marines' interest in Osprey NBC Nightly News (Tues.) 1. Momentum continues to build for reunion of Elian Gonzalez, father 2. Signing of Md. gun control bill reverberates in Congress 3. New report challenges idea that vitamin megadoses are okay CBS Evening News (Tues.) 1. Miami relatives ask for meeting with Reno, Elian's father 2. Aetna settles with Texas 3. 40% of doctors say they deceive insurance cost to help patients Washington Post (Wed.) 1. Elian may meet father today 2. Starved for aid in Africa 3. U.S. to pay for ills from radiation Washington Times (Wed.) 1. Reno plans meetings in Miami 2. New Democrats see China trade as just good business 3. Jeb Bush called 'scrooge' New York Times (Wed.) 1. Congress raises burden of proof on asset seizures 2. Man, son's slayer unite 3. Bush proposes health plan USA Today (Wed.) 1. Bush proposes \$42B for poor 2. Elian's planed reunion canceled 3. Bush, Gore health plans Los Angeles Times (Wed.) 1. Court bans border stops based on ethnicity 2. U.S. to offer 500,000 residency 3. Jobs take a deadly toll on Japanese
Senate GOP	* On floor: marriage tax penalty relief; * Lott to meet with Colombian President Andres Pastrana; * Hutchison rally on marriage tax; * Kyl news conference on crime victim's rights; * Jeffords markup of AIDS funding research.	* On floor: budget (tent.); * Murkowski hearing on electric deregulation; * Bond subcommittee on NASA; * Specter subcommittee on report from national reading panel; * Jeffords hearing on pension assets.	* 4/14 Hutchinson field hearing on vaccines against biological weapons with Dickey ; * 4/18 Fitzgerald subcommittee on future of ethanol; * 4/26 Inhofe subcommittee on Defense acquisitions; * 4/27 Lugar hearing on agricultural ownership.	* On floor: gas tax repeal; * Helms hearing on trade relations with China; * McCain hearing on China trade; * Grassley hearing on cemetery industries; * Gregg hearing on early childhood programs.	
Govs	* Gilmore to present Advisory Commission on Electronic Commerce final report to Congress.	* Huckabee to make announcement concerning drug-free workplaces.	* 4/14 Schafer to attend emergency medical services conference in Bismarck, N.D.	* Schafer attended N.D. Association of Family, Career and Community Leaders of America convention.	
President	* In Colorado to politicize Columbine massacre anniversary, participate in MSNBC town hall.	* To address American Society of Newspaper Editors, DSCC "soft money" fundraisers.	* 4/14 To Atlanta, to speak to Education Writers Association, DCCC, Lewis of Ga. fundraisers.	* Took credit for Project Exile as legislation passed House.	
1st Lady	* To visit school, senior center in Buffalo, Amherst, N.Y.	* In N.Y. "to listen."	* 10/26 In N.Y. for major birthday fundraiser.	* Delivered remarks to AFSME, visited Center for Disabled in N.Y.	
VP Gore	* To speak at newspaper editors conference, DNC "soft money" fundraiser, dine with Ventura.	* In Charlotte, N.C., D.C. for Gore 2000 events.	* 4/15 To attend DNC "soft money" fundraiser with president in Los Angeles.	* Participated in school day activities at Avondale Elementary School in Ohio.	
Cabinet	* Cuomo news conference on black, low-income lending rates.	* Summers to testify before Callahan subcommittee on budget.	* 4/14 Albright to Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan (4/14-20).	* Richardson testified before Gorton subcommittee on Energy.	
Dems	* Frost to debate Davis of Va. on politics, campaign 2000 at Heritage; * Pelosi, Baca to join Smith of N.J. at Teamsters rally on China trade.	* Baucus to speak at ABA meeting on globalization in new millennium; * Filner to speak on representative government at CIES conference.	* 4/14 Norton to speak at Youth Service America's "National Youth Service Day."	* Gephardt, Spratt, Rangel held news conference on budget, taxes; * Conyers new conference, blasted Republicans on Project Exile.	

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